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CIRCUIT ARRANGEMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 4, 1997, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification

prior to line 1, insert the following centered heading: -- Background Of The Invention --;

lines 1- 13, delete in their entirety and replace with the following paragraph:

-- The invention relates to a circuit arrangement for operating a lamp and, more particularly to a circuit for more efficiently supplying power to a lamp. --;

lines 16-19, delete in their entirety and replace with the following new paragraph: - {Conventional circuit arrangements, such as disclosed in German Patent DE 414804 C1, include a transformer for generating a DC voltage of